

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, STATE OF TEXAS,
AUSTIN, June 3, 1878. }

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: I return to the Senate, where they originated, the following bills, to-wit:

Senate bill No. 266, entitled "An act for the relief of the heirs of Augustus W. Shipley."

Senate bill No. 326, entitled "An act to validate first class land certificate No. 150, issued to Freeman Prewitt by the board of land commissioners of Jasper county, July 5, 1839."

Senate bill No. 319, entitled "An act for the relief of the heirs of James W. Dickson, deceased."

Senate bill No. 235, entitled "An act for the relief of the heirs and assigns of Joseph Percival, deceased."

Senate bill No. 248, entitled "An act to empower the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue to Willett Holmes a headright certificate of one league and labor of land."

Senate bill No. 312, entitled "An act for the relief of G. Hoffman."

I return these bills for the same reasons set forth in my message returning to the House of Representatives the act entitled "An act authorizing and requiring the issuance of land certificates to certain parties therein named," a copy of which message is hereto attached for your information.

I will say, in addition to what was said in that message, that it is impossible for me, owing to the limited time at my disposition, to investigate these numerous acts of the same sort, coming in at the close of the session.

I must, therefore, either allow them blindly to become laws, or return them for reconsideration.

Very respectfully,

EDMUND J. DAVIS, Governor.